GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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LPG SUPPLY BY PRIVATE COMPANIES
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that major portion of rural inhabitants depend upon supply of LPG from private LPG companies ;

(b) if so, whether private LPG companies charge more than the Government agencies for the same capacity ; and (

(c) if so, the reasons therefor ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

(a) : The number of domestic LPG customers enrolled by private companies is insignificant as compared tothat of Public Sector Oil Marketing Companies (OMCs).

(b) & (c) : The domestic LPG marketed by OMCs is subsidised.